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Kimberly J. Keesler

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*Village of Almont*  
817 North Main Street  
Almont, Michigan 48003

**Village Council:**  
Steve Schneider, President  
Tim Dyke, Pres. Pro-Tem  
Richard Lauer  
Dave Love  
Gary Peltier  
Melinda Steffler  
Richard Tobias

**ALMONT VILLAGE COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
JULY 15, 2014**

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Schneider called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

President Schneider led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers Present: Dyke, Lauer, Love, Peltier, Steffler, Tobias, Schneider

Councilmembers Absent: None

Staff Present:	Clerk/Treasurer	Kimberly Keesler
	Police Chief	Pat Nael
	DPW Superintendent	Bryan Treat

Guests Present: Mr. Michael Deem  
Mr. Roy Campau

**COMMUNICATIONS**

President Schneider read a letter from the Lapeer County Community Foundation notifying the Village of their grant award in the amount of \$995 to be used toward the cost of the Almont Elementary feasibility study.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Councilmember Dyke moved, Councilmember Tobias seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the agenda, with the addition of Item #9 Almont DDA FY 2014 Final Budget Amendments.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

Councilmember Dyke moved, Councilmember Tobias seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the following consent agenda items:

1. Regular Meeting Minutes, July 1, 2014, as corrected.
2. Warrant #14-07-B Gen Ck #32907-32956, EFT #20-21, Equip Ck #1317, EFT #44
3. June Water Report
4. June DPW Activity Report
5. June WWTP Report
6. June Police Report
7. Payroll Report #77, Ck #15737-15744, DD #872-874, EFT #80
8. Payroll Report #78, Ck #15745-15754, DD #875-894, EFT #81
9. Financial Position Report



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## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Michael Deem introduced himself to Council as one of the applicants to be interviewed for the Village Manager position.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

### **1. Ordinance No. 159.28 Adoption**

It was the consensus of Council to hold a second reading of Ordinance No. 159.28, an ordinance to amend Section 18.05 (2) of the Almont Village Zoning Ordinance to allow a nonconforming building or structure to be enlarged or structurally altered provided that the enlargement or structural alteration does not increase the nonconformity.

Councilmember Dyke moved, Councilmember Peltier seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to adopt Ordinance 159.28.

### **2. Skid Steer Purchase**

Clerk/Treasurer Keesler and DPW Superintendent Treat presented Council with three quotes for a new skid steer. Discussion was held.

It was consensus of Council to proceed with getting an installment purchase agreement quote from Tri-County Bank.

### **3. Water Meter Data Collector System Purchase**

Clerk/Treasurer Keesler and DPW Superintendent Treat presented Council with a quote from Michigan Meter, Inc. regarding a roaming water meter data collector. Discussion was held.

Councilmember Dyke moved, Councilmember Peltier seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the water meter data collector system as presented in the amount of \$12,000.

### **4. ROWE Professional Services Company Invoice - \$3,448.75**

Councilmember Lauer moved, Councilmember Dyke seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the payment to ROWE Professional Services Company in the amount of \$3,448.75.

### **5. Orton Refrigeration & Heating Invoice - \$2,575.68**

Councilmember Peltier moved, Councilmember Dyke seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the payment to Orton Refrigeration & Heating in the amount of \$2,575.68.

### **6. Tax Software Update**

Clerk/Treasurer Keesler presented Council with a quote from BS&A Software to upgrade the tax system. Discussion was held.

Councilmember Lauer moved, Councilmember Steffler seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the BS&A quote to upgrade the tax system in the amount not to exceed \$3,950.00.



## **7. First Right of Refusal on Foreclosed Properties**

Clerk/Treasurer Keesler presented Council with the waiver of first right of refusal received from the Lapeer County Treasurer regarding Parcel #041-475-036-00 (126 E. St. Clair). Discussion was held.

Councilmember Lauer moved, Councilmember Tobias seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to acquire the property for the price of \$1,863.60 and offer the owner a life estate with the occupant being responsible for maintenance and utilities of the property contingent upon a free and clear title search.

## **8. Ordinance No. 187.1 Amendment to Almont Village Zoning Ordinance (Section 4 Pertaining to Wells)**

Discussion was held regarding amending Section 4 of Ordinance 187 to remove the requirement of Type IIb well standards regarding isolation distances.

It was the consensus of Council to hold a first reading on Ordinance No. 187.1.

## **9. DDA Fiscal Year 2014 Final Budget Amendments**

A memorandum was presented to Council from DDA Director Boxey regarding final budget amendments for fiscal year 2014. Discussion was held.

Councilmember Lauer moved, Councilmember Dyke seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to accept the DDA final budget amendments for the fiscal year 2014.

## **OPEN DISCUSSION**

### **1. MERS Day-of-Work Definition**

### **2. Howland Road Project**

## **COUNCIL/MANAGER COMMENT**

Clerk/Treasurer Keesler updated Council as to citations sent to property owners who are in violation of the International Property Maintenance Code.

Discussion was held regarding fireworks. It was the consensus of Council for Clerk/Treasurer Keesler to draft an ordinance regarding the days and times fireworks are allowed to be discharged.

Chief Nael informed Council the State's decision to no longer support the local units' current reporting system (AICS) and he will be researching the new system the County is inclined to purchase (CLEMIS).

Clerk/Treasurer Keesler reminded Council she will be attending the property closing on the property the Village is acquiring in the Township for the new pumping station tomorrow, July 16<sup>th</sup>.



Councilmember Peltier announced that last week's Music in the Park attendance and Historical Society's food sales were the largest they have ever had. He also requested Clerk/Treasurer Keesler draft a resolution supporting legislation to help stop a proposed Canadian nuclear waste dump from being built less than one mile from the shore of Lake Huron.

Councilmember Love asked DPW Superintendent Treat as to why the water had been shut off in his neighborhood. Superintendent Treat explained there was a fire hydrant that was leaking and water had to be turned off for a short period of time for the hydrant to be removed.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 9:41 p.m.

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Kimberly J. Keesler  
Clerk/Treasurer

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Steve Schneider  
President

Approved Date: August 6, 2014



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